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Title: NEW SEQUENCES OF HEPATITIS C VIRUS GENOTYPES AND THEIR USE AS  
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**RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER**

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Responsive to the Official Action dated September 23, 2005, entry and  
consideration of the following amendments and remarks are requested.